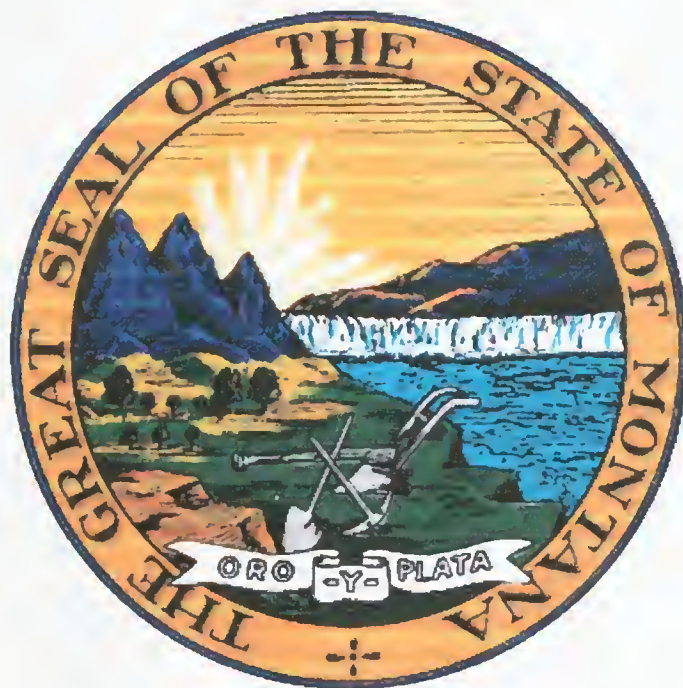


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Some Grey Among the Blue in August Job Picture

The Two Sides of August—There was both a credit and a debit side to the August labor market picture. The brighter aspects reflected stabilized high employment levels in the majority of industry groups. Tourism, the back-to-school buying season, and good yields from fruit and grain harvests kept the volume of main street business at a good pace. The whir of activity at logging camps and sawmills in the timbered areas continued after being temporarily stilled by closure of forest lands because of fire hazards. Employment on construction projects increased by 700 workers from July to August this year. Oil exploration and drilling operations began to show signs of greater activity as the month ended. Clouding the employment scene were the deepening shadows of the copper industry strike now into the third month. Prospects for early settlement of this dispute still appear dim. More than \$10 million in wages have been lost by the striking workers since the strike began on July 15. The loss to the State of Montana in personal state income taxes is projected at \$293,340 for every 6½ week period of the strike. The striking workers are barred by Montana law from receiving unemployment compensation benefits. Workers laid off from their jobs in trade, service, and other firms because of weakened economic conditions caused by the strike are generally determined eligible for jobless pay benefits. Unemployment claims filed by idled workers in this latter category so far have not been too noticeable. From August 4 through

September 8, 1967, a total of 175 such claim payments were made totaling \$5,674.00. Secondary unemployment as a result of the strike is now starting to edge up at a faster pace than in earlier weeks.

Non-Farm Employment Down 6,400 From July—The adverse influence of the copper strike was the chief factor in the 6,400 employment decline from July to August this year. A total of 189,300 non-farm wage earners remained on August payrolls, 6,900 fewer than the same month last year. Economic trends earlier this year and prior to the copper strike pointed to the possibility of an industrial employment peak of 200,000 this year. Employment for the first five months of this year exceeded job totals of comparable months of all past years. Employment levels during June and July this year fell just slightly short of year ago totals for the same months. The final employment figure of 195,700 on non-farm payrolls this July should stand as the job peak for this year. The continuing copper strike plus the soon to start seasonal declines in other industries leave little promise for a higher figure.

August Jobseekers Totaled 9,056—More than 9,000 jobseekers were registered for work at the 23 local offices of the Montana State Employment Service during August. The total was up nearly 2,200 from last year. More than 40 per cent of the current total were registered at Anaconda, Butte, and Great Falls where the copper strike is in effect.

August UCC Checks Came to \$208,332—The \$208,332 paid in jobless benefits to eligible, unemployed workers this August compares with a \$155,069 total for the same month last year. UCC payments from January through August this year amounted to \$4,638,834, up \$376,372 from the comparable period a year ago. During August 1967, unemployed workers in Cascade County received \$38,585 in jobless pay, followed by \$32,058 in Yellowstone County, and \$30,004 in Silver Bow County. There were claimants in all other counties except Carter, Garfield, Liberty, and Toole. At the end of August, the Montana UCC Trust Fund contained \$21,357,563.

Some Worker Shortages In Evidence—Replacement hiring to fill vacancies left by students returning to schools and colleges began in earnest in late August. Shortages of cooks, waitresses and maids developed in some areas including Bozeman, Libby, and Polson. Loggers and woods equipment operators were in short supply in some timbered sections of the state. Yellowstone Park needed more workers to finish up the season.

Farm Front Active—Several thousand workers were kept busy in the grain, cherry, and sweet corn harvests, all now completed. Good over-all yields were reported from all fields and orchards. The potato harvest will begin late in September, giving temporary employment to several hundred workers.

LABOR TURNOVER RATES IN MANUFACTURING AND MINING INDUSTRIES

(per 100 employees)

(Compiled in cooperation with U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

| INDUSTRY | ACCESSION RATE | | | | | | SEPARATION RATE | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Total | | | New Hire | | | Total | | | Quit | | | Layoff | | |
| | July 1967 | June 1967 | July 1966 | July 1967 | June 1967 | July 1966 | July 1967 | June 1967 | July 1966 | July 1967 | June 1967 | July 1966 | July 1967 | June 1967 | July 1966 |
| All Manufacturing | 4.9 | 8.2 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 7.4 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 4.9 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 3.4 | .4 | 1.0 | .3 |
| Durable Goods | 4.9 | 8.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 7.9 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 5.9 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 4.0 | .6 | .6 | .3 |
| Primary Metal | 2.1 | 12.3 | 5.7 | 1.5 | 9.6 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 2.0 | .8 | .7 | * |
| Nondurable Goods | 5.0 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 4.4 | 2.2 | 4.8 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 2.1 | .2 | 1.8 | .1 |
| All Mining | 4.2 | 8.6 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 1.7 | 3.9 | 3.0 | .2 | .1 | .5 |
| Metal Mining | 2.6 | 9.0 | 5.4 | .8 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 3.4 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 1.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 | .1 | .1 | * |

*Less than .05



Along the Hiring Line— Field Summary for August

ANACONDA, Deer Lodge, Philipsburg—The continuing copper strike clouds local employment scene. Some layoffs occurring in trade and service industries. Other main street workers are on short work weeks. Several hundred idled workers were placed on forest fires and in farm work.

BILLINGS, Columbus, Hardin, Laurel, Red Lodge, Roundup—A good agenda of building and remodeling projects in progress including a shopping center, newspaper plant, and expansion of sugar refinery. Highway construction employment down one third from year ago, due to lack of new projects and right-of-way difficulties. Employment in trade and manufacturing firms holds to good seasonal levels. Grain crops produced excellent yields. Agricultural job placements totaled 1,200 workers.

BOZEMAN, Ennis, Three Forks, Trident—Good volume of employment being maintained in all industry groups. All construction work on schedule. Work began on \$196,000 auto agency building. Lumber mill employment at capacity; some shortages of woods workers continue. Main street activity will keep brisk as 6,000 returning college students will offset declining tourist trade.

BUTTE, Virginia City, Whitehall—Idled miners and smeltermen wait patiently for word which will send them back to work. Little progress toward settlement in evidence as the strike enters into the third month. Some secondary unemployment now starting to develop with layoffs noted in trade and service industries, and the furlough of some salaried personnel of the mining industry.

CUT BANK—Forest fire control and forest service activities were in the limelight during August. A fair amount of building and highway construction was in evidence. Good seasonal job trends covered trade, service, and agricultural industries.

DILLON—Construction employment at good level despite strike by carpenters. Several projects completed including Lima school building and 5½ mile highway section. Mining and mill trends looking up with installation of new equipment. Good farm labor demand with 155 job placements during August.

GLASGOW, Fort Peck, Malta, Opheim—Employment in area at high seasonal levels during August; most avail-

MONTANA CIVILIAN WORK FORCE

(In Thousands)

| | Aug. 67 | July 67 | Aug. 66 | July 67 to Aug. 67 | Aug. 66 to Aug. 67 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Civilian Work Force..... | 288.8 | 294.2 | 284.3 | —5.4 | 4.5 |
| Total Employment..... | 270.6 | 281.2 | 274.6 | —10.6 | —4.0 |
| Total Non-agricultural Employment..... | 221.3 | 228.0 | 229.2 | —6.7 | —7.9 |
| (Non-agricultural Wage & Salary)..... | 189.3 | 195.7 | 196.2 | —6.4 | —6.9 |
| Total Agriculture Employment..... | 49.3 | 53.2 | 45.4 | —3.9 | 3.9 |
| Labor Management Disputes..... | 7.6 | * | .1 | 7.6 | 7.5 |
| Total Unemployment..... | 10.6 | 13.0 | 9.6 | —2.4 | 1.0 |
| Percent Unemployed..... | 3.7 | 4.4 | 3.4 | — | — |
| U.S. Unemployment Rate..... | NA | 4.1 | 3.6 | — | — |

*Less than 50

able workers employed. Construction includes Fort Peck housing project. Glasgow water treatment plant, and building remodeling. Good worker demand in main street firms. Farm labor demand reduced by poor crops.

GLENDIVE, Circle, Wibaux—Economic activity in area shows little change from last year. Highway and bridge construction slowed earlier by high water now active. A new hospital the only major building project. Small grain harvest completed with near record yields.

GREAT FALLS, Choteau, Fort Benton, Stanford—The copper strike leaves its mark on local economy with buying power of 1,800 idled workers sharply reduced. August hiring was mostly for remodification of missiles, and for new shopping center soon to open. More than 300 men were recruited for forest fighting duties in other areas. Farm job placements were near the 1,700 mark mostly for grain harvest activities.

HAMILTON, Stevensville—Employment generally at good levels despite limited construction and downturn in logging activities. Hiring by forest service stepped up for fire fighting and control. Farm job placements totaled over 300 mostly for fruit and hay harvests.

HAVRE, Chinook, Harlem—Trade, service and private households were at the head of August hiring lines. Replacement hiring will occur during September as working students return to school. Other than small highway project in Harlem area, no new construction in sight. Farm labor demand diminishing with completion of major harvest activities.

HELENA, Boulder, Garrison, Townsend, White Sulphur Springs—Labor

market trends continue to lag especially in the construction and trade industry groups. Building construction at low volume. Two highway projects in progress accounting for some new hiring. Farm labor demand exceeded last year, but now starting to taper off.

KALISPELL, Columbia Falls, Whitefish—Heavy demand for forest fire fighters, lumber mill, and construction workers highlighted labor market activity during August. Good upturn also noted in trade industry hiring responding to high employment in other groups. Work forces on major building projects were increased. The cherry harvest accounted for most of the more than 500 farm job placements.

LEWISTOWN, Harlowton, Ryegate, Winnett—Industrial job placements up 12 % from last year as job openings increased in trade, service, and manufacturing. Heavy tourist trade noted. Shortages of waitresses developed. Opening of new sawmill created 16 new jobs. Building construction at good volume.

LIBBY—Employment related to Libby Dam projects was near the 1,600 mark. Influx of workers into the area continues and there is a surplus of heavy equipment operators, carpenters, teamsters, and laborers. Closure of forest lands due to fire hazards caused slowdown in logging. 220 men were sent to the fire lines during the month. Trade and service activity at good pace.

LIVINGSTON, Big Timber—Hiring in industry and agriculture was at good volume during August. Several building projects completed but hiring continued for other work including projects in Yellowstone Park. Some trade and service industry workers, including cooks and maids, were in short supply. Logging and lumbering was at good ca-

NINE YEARS OF MONTANA INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT TOTALS BY MONTHS (in Thousands)

| | Jan. | Feb. | March | April | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Aver. |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1956..... | 156.6 | 154.4 | 156.3 | 163.0 | 169.3 | 177.4 | 177.4 | 179.8 | 177.2 | 174.6 | 170.4 | 166.7 | 168.6 |
| 1957..... | 156.8 | 155.0 | 156.8 | 161.3 | 166.0 | 172.0 | 174.2 | 174.2 | 170.8 | 167.4 | 163.2 | 159.9 | 164.8 |
| 1958..... | 153.1 | 150.3 | 150.5 | 156.4 | 162.4 | 167.1 | 170.2 | 172.2 | 170.0 | 168.8 | 165.8 | 162.4 | 162.4 |
| 1959..... | 155.3 | 153.2 | 155.9 | 162.2 | 167.5 | 174.0 | 177.5 | 179.2 | 169.9 | 165.6 | 161.5 | 159.4 | 165.1 |
| 1960..... | 152.7 | 152.5 | 156.1 | 163.5 | 168.4 | 175.8 | 176.9 | 177.7 | 174.8 | 171.6 | 167.5 | 164.5 | 166.8 |
| 1961..... | 156.9 | 154.8 | 156.1 | 160.2 | 165.1 | 173.3 | 176.0 | 178.1 | 176.8 | 172.4 | 169.0 | 166.2 | 167.1 |
| 1962..... | 158.3 | 158.2 | 159.6 | 166.2 | 172.4 | 180.1 | 180.5 | 181.2 | 178.6 | 176.6 | 175.1 | 173.5 | 171.7 |
| 1963..... | 163.9 | 163.0 | 165.0 | 170.2 | 175.1 | 181.0 | 182.3 | 183.8 | 181.5 | 179.7 | 176.6 | 173.6 | 174.6 |
| 1964..... | 166.2 | 164.3 | 165.1 | 169.1 | 174.2 | 182.4 | 185.5 | 187.2 | 184.9 | 182.2 | 178.4 | 175.4 | 176.2 |
| 1965..... | 167.9 | 167.4 | 168.9 | 174.4 | 179.8 | 188.7 | 189.6 | 192.1 | 189.9 | 188.1 | 185.3 | 183.6 | 181.3 |
| 1966..... | 173.9 | 172.6 | 174.2 | 179.3 | 184.2 | 194.0 | 196.4 | 196.2 | 191.9 | 189.8 | 185.5 | 185.9 | 185.4 |
| 1967..... | 180.4 | 178.2 | 178.2 | 182.5 | 185.8 | 193.8 | 195.7 | 189.3* | | | | | |

* Preliminary Estimate—

Along the Hiring Line— Field Summary for August

capacity with persistent shortages of timber fallers and truck drivers. Farm labor demand and supply fairly well balanced.

MILES CITY, Baker, Ekalaka, Broadus, Jordan, Terry—Generally active trends covered most industry groups during August. Job gains noted both in farm and industry from same period last year. Main street business holding up well as tourist season nears end. Transient worker traffic helped relieve some workers shortages.

MISSOULA, Drummond, Arlee, Superior—Labor market activity holds to steady trends. August job placements were near the 1,100 mark with 60% of this number placed on forest fire control. Cutbacks in logging operations occurred with closure of forests because of fire danger. Main street business at good volume. Farm labor demand was mainly for hay hands.

POLSON—Over-all employment picture looks good despite some temporary slowdown in logging because of fire danger in forest lands. Log shortages could cause some mill layoffs during September. Good labor demand on main street, chiefly for food industry workers. Farm labor demand lessened with completion of fruit harvest.

SHELBY—Industry job placements declined from last month with stable employment in most industry groups and little turnover. Hiring in oil field operations not up to last year. Some construction layoffs noted. Main street trends fairly good. 117 farm job placements made during August.

SIDNEY—Sparked by good grain harvests and increased construction activity, area economy shows a prosperous glow. An active file of but 37 job-seekers consists mainly of youth, some in the 14-15 age bracket. Main street employment at seasonal high. 164 farm job placements set a record for August.

THOMPSON FALLS, Hot Springs—Closure of forest areas because of fire danger idled 250 woodsmen and 100 construction workers at month's end. Most mills have stockpiled logs to keep to production schedules until logging resumes. Replacement hiring in trade and manufacturing industries will occur in September as working students return to classes.

WOLF POINT, Plentywood, Scobey—Construction and oil field work were at good volume during the month. Labor supply has been adequate to meet increased labor demand. Good demand seen for female workers next month in trade and service firms as students quit jobs to return to school. Grain and hay harvests stimulated demand for farm workers.

ESTIMATED EMPLOYMENT IN NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES IN MONTANA (1)

(Compiled in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)

| INDUSTRY | EMPLOYMENT | | | Net Change | |
|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Aug. 1967 (2) | July 1967 (3) | Aug. 1966 | July '67 to Aug. '67 | Aug. '66 to Aug. '67 |
| NON-AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES | 189,300 | 195,700 | 196,200 | -6,400 | -6,900 |
| Manufacturing | 22,100 | 25,200 | 25,100 | -3,100 | -3,000 |
| Durable goods | 14,000 | 17,000 | 17,000 | -3,000 | -3,000 |
| Lumber and timber products | 10,400 | 10,200 | 10,600 | 200 | 200 |
| *Primary metals | 1,300 | 4,500 | 4,300 | -3,200 | -3,000 |
| Other (4) | 2,300 | 2,300 | 2,100 | 00 | 200 |
| Nondurable goods | 8,100 | 8,200 | 8,100 | -100 | 00 |
| Food and kindred products | 4,300 | 4,300 | 4,300 | 00 | 00 |
| Printing and publishing | 1,700 | 1,700 | 1,700 | 00 | 00 |
| Petroleum refining | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 00 | 00 |
| Other (5) | 1,000 | 1,100 | 1,000 | -100 | 00 |
| Mining | 3,100 | 6,800 | 7,600 | -3,700 | -4,500 |
| *Metal mining | 900 | 4,600 | 5,000 | -3,700 | -4,100 |
| Coal, quarrying and nonmetallic | 800 | 800 | 1,100 | 00 | 300 |
| Petroleum-natural gas production | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,500 | 00 | 100 |
| Contract Construction | 12,900 | 12,200 | 14,600 | 700 | -1,700 |
| Contractors, building construction | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,900 | 00 | 500 |
| Contractors, other than building | 5,500 | 5,100 | 6,200 | 400 | 700 |
| Contractors, special trade | 4,000 | 3,700 | 4,500 | 300 | 500 |
| Transportation and utilities | 18,200 | 18,200 | 18,600 | 00 | -400 |
| Interstate railroads | 7,600 | 7,600 | 7,900 | 00 | 300 |
| Transportation except railroads | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,300 | 00 | 100 |
| Utilities including communication | 6,400 | 6,400 | 6,400 | 00 | 00 |
| Trade | 46,800 | 46,500 | 45,600 | 300 | 1,200 |
| Wholesale trade | 9,700 | 9,500 | 9,100 | 200 | 600 |
| Retail trade | 37,100 | 37,000 | 36,500 | 100 | 600 |
| General merchandise and apparel | 6,900 | 6,900 | 6,600 | 00 | 300 |
| Food stores | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,400 | 00 | 200 |
| Eating and drinking establishments | 11,100 | 10,900 | 10,500 | 200 | 600 |
| Automotive and filling stations | 7,200 | 7,300 | 7,200 | -100 | 00 |
| Retail trade not elsewhere classified | 6,700 | 6,700 | 6,800 | 00 | 100 |
| Finance, insurance and real estate | 7,500 | 7,500 | 7,300 | 00 | 200 |
| Services and miscellaneous | 28,400 | 28,500 | 28,700 | -100 | -300 |
| Hotels, rooming houses, camps, etc. | 4,800 | 4,900 | 5,200 | -100 | 400 |
| Personal services | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,300 | 00 | 100 |
| Other (6) | 21,400 | 21,400 | 21,200 | 00 | 200 |
| Government | 50,300 | 50,800 | 48,700 | -500 | 1,600 |
| Federal | 14,000 | 14,000 | 14,300 | 00 | 300 |
| State and local | 36,300 | 36,800 | 34,400 | -500 | 1,900 |
| Great Falls Area (Cascade County) | 23,200 | 24,800 | 24,200 | -1,600 | -1,000 |
| *Manufacturing | 2,000 | 3,600 | 3,800 | -1,600 | -1,800 |
| Contract construction | 2,800 | 2,700 | 2,500 | 100 | 300 |
| Transportation and utilities | 2,200 | 2,200 | 2,200 | 00 | 00 |
| Trade, wholesale and retail | 6,300 | 6,300 | 6,100 | 00 | 200 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate | 1,300 | 1,300 | 1,300 | 00 | 00 |
| Services and miscellaneous (7) | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 00 | 00 |
| Government | 4,600 | 4,700 | 4,300 | -100 | 300 |
| Billings Area (Yellowstone County) | 27,000 | 26,900 | 26,400 | 100 | 600 |
| Manufacturing | 3,100 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 00 | 100 |
| Contract Construction | 2,100 | 2,100 | 1,800 | 00 | 300 |
| Transportation and Utilities | 2,800 | 2,800 | 2,600 | 00 | 200 |
| Trade, wholesale and retail | 8,200 | 8,200 | 8,000 | 00 | 200 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,500 | 00 | 100 |
| Services and Miscellaneous (7) | 5,200 | 5,100 | 5,100 | 100 | 100 |
| Government | 4,200 | 4,200 | 4,400 | 00 | 200 |

*Copper Strike Started 7/15/67

- (1) Estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who worked or received pay during the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Proprietors, firm members, personnel of the armed forces, domestic servants, and self-employed persons are excluded.
- (2) Preliminary estimates based on return from samples of 664 selected Montana establishments.
- (3) Figures previously released have been revised on return from 1,188 such establishments.
- (4) Includes fabricated metal products, machinery except electrical, furniture, stone and clay products.

(5) Includes apparel, chemicals, and miscellaneous manufacturing products.

(6) Includes commercial trade schools, auto repair services and garages, miscellaneous repair services and hand trades, motion pictures, amusements and recreation,

medical and health, law offices and professional services, non-profit membership organizations and business not otherwise classified.

(7) Same as (6) above. Also includes hotels, rooming houses, camps, personal services and mining.

COMPARISON OF BASIC LABOR MARKET ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST, 1967 AND AUGUST, 1966

| Employment Service Office | New Job Applicants | | | | Jobseekers In File | | | | Job Placements | | | | | | | | UI Claims* | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|-----------|-------|--------------------|-------|-----------|-------|----------------|-------|--------|-------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|------------|-------|
| | Aug. 1967 | | Aug. 1966 | | Aug. 1967 | | Aug. 1966 | | Aug. 1967 | | | | Aug. 1966 | | | | Wk. 8-25 | |
| | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Tot. | Vet. | Ind. | Ag. | Tot. | Vet. | Ind. | Ag. | Tot. | Vet. | 1967 | 1966 |
| Anaconda | 123 | 20 | 156 | 36 | 935 | 187 | 172 | 31 | 273 | 22 | 295 | 138 | 225 | 28 | 253 | 73 | 92 | 44 |
| Billings | 594 | 227 | 644 | 226 | 1,022 | 306 | 1,068 | 346 | 751 | 1,208 | 1,959 | 437 | 789 | 1,038 | 1,827 | 545 | 393 | 452 |
| Bozeman | 232 | 49 | 272 | 49 | 150 | 19 | 150 | 19 | 213 | 98 | 311 | 77 | 204 | 107 | 311 | 53 | 38 | 26 |
| Butte | 400 | 130 | 375 | 127 | 1,062 | 304 | 761 | 158 | 656 | 11 | 667 | 254 | 204 | 25 | 229 | 71 | 417 | 191 |
| Cut Bank | 35 | 7 | 44 | 7 | 92 | 20 | 96 | 12 | 54 | 30 | 84 | 32 | 219 | 86 | 305 | 106 | 41 | 26 |
| Dillon | 105 | 41 | 78 | 34 | 65 | 17 | 75 | 17 | 49 | 156 | 205 | 92 | 52 | 158 | 210 | 106 | 22 | 16 |
| Glasgow | 63 | 12 | 77 | 17 | 93 | 6 | 102 | 7 | 133 | 50 | 183 | 36 | 98 | 77 | 175 | 38 | 23 | 34 |
| Glenlivet | 54 | 8 | 51 | 5 | 76 | 9 | 82 | 5 | 63 | 57 | 120 | 33 | 62 | 75 | 137 | 9 | 30 | 23 |
| Great Falls | 771 | 154 | 928 | 223 | 1,686 | 286 | 1,255 | 321 | 562 | 1,700 | 2,262 | 335 | 144 | 1,604 | 2,348 | 366 | 377 | 254 |
| Hamilton | 43 | 14 | 54 | 13 | 85 | 13 | 61 | 16 | 195 | 343 | 538 | 107 | 84 | 366 | 450 | 46 | 30 | 29 |
| Havre | 62 | 11 | 42 | 7 | 62 | 12 | 55 | 6 | 101 | 483 | 584 | 67 | 94 | 492 | 586 | 83 | 36 | 34 |
| Helena | 210 | 21 | 245 | 78 | 497 | 58 | 229 | 46 | 441 | 80 | 521 | 237 | 302 | 77 | 379 | 121 | 106 | 79 |
| Kalispell | 291 | 76 | 373 | 85 | 369 | 85 | 585 | 141 | 632 | 524 | 1,156 | 220 | 395 | 307 | 702 | 128 | 94 | 126 |
| Lewistown | 48 | 3 | 41 | 9 | 50 | 9 | 50 | 9 | 72 | 324 | 396 | 43 | 60 | 276 | 336 | 45 | 18 | 22 |
| Libby | 116 | 40 | ..... | ..... | 260 | 103 | ..... | ..... | 254 | 3 | 257 | 88 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 150 | 57 | ..... |
| Livingston | 86 | 10 | 47 | 10 | 118 | 10 | 83 | 11 | 166 | 51 | 217 | 31 | 92 | 39 | 131 | 31 | 13 | 17 |
| Miles City | 72 | 13 | 76 | 9 | 96 | 6 | 76 | 11 | 95 | 64 | 159 | 43 | 62 | 42 | 104 | 29 | 20 | 22 |
| Missoula | 731 | 231 | 714 | 235 | 1,350 | 378 | 1,123 | 330 | 1,073 | 79 | 1,152 | 424 | 367 | 66 | 433 | 134 | 165 | 156 |
| Polson | 35 | 14 | 69 | 24 | 71 | 20 | 100 | 20 | 271 | 51 | 322 | 45 | 45 | 212 | 257 | 48 | 25 | 38 |
| Shelby | 75 | 31 | 71 | 26 | 73 | 11 | 48 | 12 | 49 | 167 | 216 | 31 | 52 | 366 | 418 | 59 | 26 | 14 |
| Sidney | 40 | 9 | 75 | 10 | 37 | 3 | 83 | 4 | 88 | 164 | 252 | 19 | 110 | 156 | 266 | 16 | 13 | 28 |
| Thom. Falls | 51 | 13 | 46 | 16 | 80 | 28 | 53 | 12 | 58 | 1 | 59 | 19 | 32 | 6 | 38 | 16 | 20 | 15 |
| Wolf Point | 67 | 22 | 38 | 10 | 79 | 24 | 57 | 14 | 23 | 94 | 117 | 27 | 32 | 78 | 110 | 34 | 23 | 31 |
| Billings YOC | 285 | 14 | 256 | 14 | 648 | 42 | 523 | 18 | 219 | 61 | 280 | 16 | 341 | 17 | 358 | 9 | ..... | ..... |
| TOTALS | 4,689 | 1,170 | 4,772 | 1,270 | 9,056 | 1,956 | 6,887 | 1,565 | 6,491 | 5,821 | 12,312 | 2,856 | 4,665 | 5,698 | 10,363 | 2,166 | 2,172 | 1,734 |

*Includes 148 claims of the Fed. U.C. Program 110 same a year ago.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN SELECTED MONTANA INDUSTRIES

(Produced in co-operation with United States Bureau of Labor Statistics)
(Hours and earnings data exclude administrative and salaried personnel)

| INDUSTRY | Average Weekly Earnings | | | Average Weekly Hours | | | Average Hourly Earnings | | |
|--|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Aug (1) 1967 | July (2) 1967 | Aug. 1966 | Aug (1) 1967 | July (2) 1967 | Aug. 1966 | Aug (1) 1967 | July (2) 1967 | Aug. 1966 |
| All Manufacturing | 123.07 | 118.27 | 118.08 | 39.7 | 38.4 | 40.3 | 3.10 | 3.08 | 2.93 |
| Durable Goods | 121.21 | 115.60 | 116.64 | 39.1 | 37.9 | 40.5 | 3.10 | 3.05 | 2.88 |
| Primary Metals | * | 106.25 | 124.74 | * | 35.3 | 40.5 | * | 3.01 | 3.08 |
| Nondurable Goods | 125.86 | 125.05 | 122.45 | 41.4 | 39.2 | 39.5 | 3.04 | 3.19 | 3.10 |
| Food and Kindred Products | 125.94 | 117.88 | 111.52 | 44.5 | 42.1 | 41.0 | 2.83 | 2.80 | 2.72 |
| All Mining | 133.01 | 123.00 | 128.35 | 40.8 | 38.2 | 38.2 | 3.26 | 3.22 | 3.36 |
| Metal Mining | * | 117.39 | 126.31 | * | 36.8 | 36.4 | * | 3.19 | 3.47 |
| Transportation and Utilities (except Rys.) | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Transportation (except railroads) | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Utilities and Communications | 122.59 | 120.29 | 117.89 | 41.0 | 39.7 | 40.1 | 2.99 | 3.03 | 2.94 |

(1) Preliminary estimates. (2) Figures previously released have been revised on more complete returns.

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